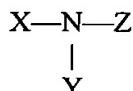


- B1*
cont.
- (a) an effective amount of a redness or inflammation reducing agent selected from the group consisting of an alkanolamine; tyrosine; or a mixture thereof; and
(b) a cosmetically acceptable carrier;
wherein said alkanolamine has the following general formula:



Sub C1 10 wherein X, Y and Z are selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C₁-C₃ alkyl group, C₂-C₄ alkanol group; and

cont. wherein at least one of X, Y or Z is a C₂-C₄ alkanol group bearing at least one hydroxyl group and optionally at least one carboxyl group.

B2 15 6. (amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein said composition further comprises a skin irritating ingredient selected from the group consisting of retinoid, benzoyl peroxide, salicylic acid, surfactants, soaps, natural plant extracts, sunscreen actives and preservatives.

B3 20 9. (amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein said composition is applied to sun burned skin, wind burned skin, or skin that is red or inflamed due to contact with irritating soaps or cleansers.

Sub C2 25 10. (amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein said composition is applied to skin that is red or inflamed due to rosacea, atopic dermatitis, or allergic skin reactions.

11. (amended) A method for ameliorating the irritating effects of a skin irritating composition comprising adding to said composition an effective amount of a compound selected from the group consisting of an alkanolamine; tyrosine; or a mixture thereof;

30 wherein said alkanolamine has the following general formula:

